

German Relief Corps Feeding Children Left Dstitute on Battle Line.



This photograph is proof that the German army did attempt to make up for the suffering caused along the line of battle in Belgium and France. The photograph shows the relief corps of the army sent out after the fighting to hunt for hungry children and the distribution of bread among them. In many towns throughout that part of France occupied by the Germans crowds of hungry children almost mobbed the relief corps to get hunks of bread.

Germany's Master Spy Who Met King George

New York, Dec. 29.—England's most sinister enemy today is a former member of the Berlin police department named George Steinhauer, who was persona grata in London only three years ago, spent a night in Buckingham Palace, and actually shook hands with the king of England.

Without Steinhauer and the knowledge which he possesses, neither the Kaiser, nor his Grosser Generalstab, nor his army and navy and Zeppelin flotilla combined could make such effective moves against the British Isles or execute so many surprises. Should Germany ever succeed in invading Great Britain, the credit will belong largely to this same Steinhauer, with whose identity scarcely a score of the emperor's advisers are familiar.

Officially George Steinhauer holds no defined position under the German government. His name is not contained in any list of government employees issued from Wilhelmstrasse. Yet for the last five years every report sent to Berlin by German secret agents in England, Scotland, Ireland or Wales has been perused by him, and in almost every instance he has directed the movements of these agents. He sits in an office hidden away in the Imperial palace at Potsdam, the center of a web of espionage which covers all the countries of the world, but which is woven most finely over the dominions of George V.

Carl Lady Shot.

Recently there were two spy trials in London which aroused all England. One was the court-martial of Hans Carl Lady on a charge of supplying Germany with information obtained under the disguise of American citizenship. The other was the trial before a civil tribunal of Karl Gustav Ernst, a hairdresser claiming to be a British subject, who was accused of violating the official secrets act. Lady, who had traveled under the name of Charles A. Inglis, of New York, and

had an American passport mysteriously obtained in Berlin, was shot in the tower of London. Ernst was sentenced to seven years at hard labor.

In both these cases the name of Steinhauer kept appearing and reappearing. Readers of newspapers wondered who this Steinhauer was, but the British government didn't wonder. It knew only too well. For the last three years it has been familiar with the activities of Herr Steinhauer and it has been waiting eagerly for him to come to England. The wise caution that raised that astute personage to the important post he now holds, however, sufficed to prevent him from taking so reckless a step. He is still safe in Potsdam, although a great many of his underlings have been rounded up.

Spent Night in Palace.

Scotland Yard has a most reverent respect for Herr Steinhauer, for he is the only German secret agent who ever spent a night under the roof of Buckingham Palace. More than that, this supreme exponent of espionage actually shook the hand of the king of England, to whom he was presented as one of the suite of his Imperial master during Wilhelm II's visit to London in May, 1911. When Scotland Yard learned of so amazing a feat it was simply flabbergasted with admiration for the perpetrator of it. Scotland Yard did not learn of it, however, until some time after Herr Steinhauer had returned safely to Berlin.

There is nothing of the junkie type about Steinhauer. He comes of good burgher stock, and the early part of his career differed in no wise from that of thousands of other civilian servants of the German empire. After serving his time in the army he became a non-commissioned officer and eventually graduated into the Berlin police department. He displayed so marked a talent for detective work that he was drafted into the intelligence department of the German navy.

Studied All England.

Recognizing that Great Britain was the power from which the fatherland had the most to fear, Steinhauer concentrated his energies on the British branch of espionage in such good effect that within little more than a year he was placed in charge of all matters concerned with the secret investigation of British armaments. That was about five years ago. When the Kaiser went to England in 1911 to attend the unveiling of the King of the Queen Victoria Memorial Steinhauer was a member of his suite.

He eluded quiet little hostilities in seaport towns, and even the naval bases in Scotland. Soon by means of many agents, he had every item of military or naval information collected in the United Kingdom sent to "Steinhauer, Potsdam."

Signal Code Devised.

That was how he was known to the less important agents—simply as Steinhauer, of Potsdam. Beyond that they knew nothing whatever of him, except that he was a well-groomed man of about 40, who always wore an affable manner and the best clothes that London tailoring care produce. Even his hats were made to order in London.

It was Steinhauer who invented the system of signaling by automobile and bicycle headlights from points on the English or Scotch coast to submarines or other vessels in the North Sea. It was he who realized the value of disguising spies in the uniform of Boy Scouts or scoutmasters—the scheme which has caused all kinds of trouble to Sir Baden-Powell. His genius found a way to signal by hidden wireless from the very heart of London, to conceal stores of petrol for German aeroplanes in Scottish highlands, to bribe road builders to construct hidden highways to direct them from one strategic point to another. He stops at no obstacle and means placed at his disposal are practically limitless.

Only One Letter Found.

Despite the fact that practically every word of instruction sent to spies

in Great Britain emanates from Steinhauer, his means of communication are so guarded that only one letter bearing his signature has fallen into the hands of the English authorities since the outbreak of war. This is the letter which was read at the trial of Karl Gustav Ernst, the hapless hairdresser. It is as follows:

"Dear Mr. Ernst—I had the intention to inclose the money due in the letter, but I cannot get it registered any more as it is after 8 o'clock, and therefore I will send it tomorrow early. I beg you to make the following inquiry as early as possible—it refers to the following person, who is the man who deals in everything, exact as possible and at once.

"He is suspected that he is in connection with the Intelligence Department, and it is therefore very important to have searching and quick information regarding this person, but without his noticing anything. Postmen, porters and such are good sources of information.

"Do not take it ill if I, as an old criminologist and detective, give a few suggestions. I have always had success if I mention a similar name. The people then think involuntarily of the correct name and you can in all safety make your inquiries with the apology that the person concerned has given you or your firm large orders such as four automobiles or in respect to a horse.

"If one has given you information, then you ask how he looks, and how old he is, whereon you say: 'Ah, then he is not the gentleman whom I mean, because he has a full beard, looks dark and is bigger.' Then you just converse the contrary except in order to confuse the people that 'E' is not meant as that nothing comes out from the laundry.

Polly-Molly seems to realize very fully the seriousness of getting married.

Dolly. Yes, the poor girl is just worried to death. There are sixteen girls who want to be her bridesmaids, and she can't decide which eight she can best afford to make enemies of.

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In Our School

BY PAUL WEST.

Still schooling.

Heu Van Ness says the reason he smells so kind of not-so-bad these days is because he is trating a zoo in three barns. And he has got for it so far as a skunk & two musk rats, & he hasn't got them quite trained for exhibition purposes. He wants everybody to catch him sun kind of an animal, any kind will do except dogs & cats or pigs, they being too common but things like tigers & lions & a elephant or 2 would run in very handy, only not too many elephants, he says, his barn not being very big. He let any feller in free to see the zoo if they will catch him a animal.

George McLaughlin says Heu can have his little brother if he will promise to talk god calf of him & feed him good. Heu says he feeds all his animals very good, but he doesn't think he wants George's little brother.

trale all the way to yore sets. But the role fun begins when the water starts leaking out good throw the boots, and pretty soon you are a very fine padder all round your desk & all you have got to do is to look very



HEU VAN NESS IS STARTING A ZOO IN THEIR BARN

er, he being too common, too, they being so many little fellers in town it wouldn't be any courtesy, George is now insulted at Heu & won't speak to him.

VERY PLEASANT FUN.

A new way to have sun pleasant fun in school was found out by Ek Brigham and Steve Hardy this morning. All you have got to do is make a cupful of lard in yore rubber boots, not very big ones, only with yore affek then fill the boots up to the top with water out at the fasset in the hall, or with snow, but water is better. Then you can walk into the room very careful so as not to spill the watterk yon make a use

THE EXPLOSION WAS VERY PLEASANT TO HEAR

much perished & say, "Oh, thy must of bin a hool in my rubber boot!"

Ek worked it very good this mornung, but when Steve tride it it didn't go so very well, he making such a big hool in his rubber boot you could see he had did it on purpose. Miss Palmer gals him quite a good licking, not a mont houn to his father about. Steve wilfully destroying his rubber boots. Steve says he wishes he could loose that mont, & is going to try very hard, but he probly won't be able. It was a mont praising him for his good work in school any feller would be sure to loose it before he got 1.2 way houn, but not that kind. That is what peepul call Fatt.

GOSSEP.

Bel Haynes blowed up a little toy balloon he got for Christmas today till it was about the size of a big ap, then he blowed it to Fatty Bel-hows & toad him "Goon yore mouth & shut yore eyes." A Fatty did. Then Bel held the balloon in frunt of Fatty's mouth & he bit it. The explosion was very pleasant to herok awso the way Fatty hollered.

RAMESES WAS CANAL BUILDER

Geographic Society Shows How Since Morning History the East Has Tried to Get West by Suez.

Washington, Dec. 28.—That the Suez Canal, figuring so prominently in the military operations to which Turkey is a part, is not the first canal that joined the Red Sea with the Mediterranean, is told in a statement prepared for the press today by the National Geographic Society.

"From the morning of history the west has sought to break into the east by way of Suez. Somewhere during the years 1350-1300 B. C., the Egyptians, under Silt I, and Ramses II, joined the Nile by way of Lake Tim-sah to the Red Sea, thus opening a waterway, the archetype of the present canal, from the Mediterranean, over the Suez isthmus to the Orient. This canal was choked by sand in the course of ages. Niecho, about 800 B. C. began the canal. From ancient Bubastic, and Darius Hystaspis one hundred years later completed the work, once more bringing the Red sea and Nile together. Although nearly choked up by the beginning of the Christian era, it was navigable to a degree as late as the battle of Actium, and some of Cleopatra's ships escaped this way to the Red Sea.

"Trojan restored the canal. It fell into disuse and choked up again. Amru, the Islamic conqueror of Egypt, restored it for the last time in the seventh century, connecting Cairo with the Red Sea. Napoleon caused the old route to be surveyed, but was forced to drop the project. After him Mehemet, the great reactionary prime minister of Austria-Hungary, stimulated a Suez commission in 1847. Nothing, however, came of it.

"As the world well knows, the Suez canal was built by the man who failed to build the Panama canal—Comte Ferdinand de Lesseps. Its original depth was 26 1-4 feet, and its bottom width 72 feet. It could accommodate ships of 24 7-12 feet, but it was in operation eleven years, beginning 1869, before vessels of such draft sought passage. By 1890 its draft had

been increased 29 1-2 feet, and when the United States announced its intention to make a canal, forty-one feet deep and 300 feet wide at its narrowest bottom point, at Panama, the work of Suez was extended so as ultimately to give a bottom width of 134 1-2 feet and a depth of 36 1-12 feet. It was expected that this enlargement could be complete by next year, but war has interrupted operations.

"How much larger than the average demands for a canal the Panama waterway has been made is strikingly shown by a statement from Suez to the effect that only one per cent of the ships seeking passage by that route have a draft of twenty-eight feet.

"In 1869 ten vessels passed through the Suez canal. In 1912, 5,373 ships steamed through, of 20,275,120 net tonnage, and paying for this privilege around \$25,000,000. Seven out of every ten of these ships flew the British flag. England has dominated the canal ever since the Khedive in 1875 sold his 174,692 canal shares for \$20,000,000, to the British government. These shares are now worth close to \$200,000,000."

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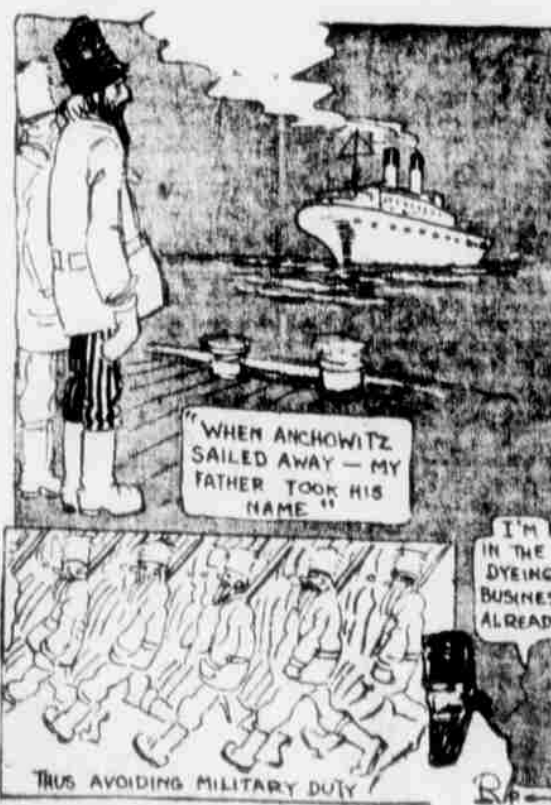
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Monikers of Famous Fighters—Do You Know Charley Avonkitz?



Things are not what they seem with Charley White. It's almost as hard to get him straightened out in our minds as it is for his opponents to straighten him out on the canvas.

In the first place he is not from Chicago, but from Liverpool England, and he is not English, but Jewish. His name is not Charley, but Charley, and his last name is not White, but Anko-vitz—not Anchowitz, and even that is wrong. White's correct appellation should be Charley Cooper.

Just how Charley's family ever got the name of Cooper over in Russia where dislocations, strangulations and appellations are as one, the little fellow does not profess to know. In fact, it puzzles him as much as it does you and me. You know how much that is. But he can tell the reason for the change to Ankovitz, although it happened before his time.

Charley's father, Cooper, was subject to military duty in Russia. Then military duty under the czar was not now, more besides Mr. Cooper didn't

now, and besides Mr. Cooper didn't love Russia with passion undying. Nix the czar could go fight his own battles. White Pop Cooper was giving himself an argument along these lines his old friend and business partner Ankovitz left for the modern Palestine—America. Now Ankovitz had served the necessary military enlistment period, and as Cooper watched his friend ride away he was left with a big idea. Why not assume the name of his departed friend and escape serving in the army? Not a reason

why not. So he did. And he did not change it when he emigrated to England where Charley was born on March 26, 1891.

When Charley was eight years old his father moved his cleaning and dyeing business and his family of ten children to Chicago.

Charley Ankovitz, as he was now known, grew up in the windy city, and might at the present time be known as Ankovitz, the printer, if his elder brother had not been so pugnacious as to turn professional fighter.

It was Charley's brother Jack who was responsible for his present name of White. He assumed the name of White because Tommy White, who had been very prominent around Chicago had just retired about the time Jack started fighting. Besides Ankovitz is not a fighting name.

So when Charley forsook the prin-cipal shop for the prize ring he naturally assumed the name of Charley White. Just naturally y'see! Just as natural-ly as he fought two world's cham-pions off their feet.